

Immigration Statistics

Ventura and Santa Barbara Counties

We are a community of immigrants. Immigrants make up more than one out of five residents in Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties.

- According to the 2011 American Community Survey, in Ventura County there are 182,987 immigrants or 22% of the population. For Santa Barbara County there are 103,038 immigrants or 24% of the population.

Comprehensive Immigration Reform would ease the fear of families being separated because of their immigration status.

- CAUSE estimates there are over 71,000 undocumented people in Ventura County and just over 39,000 in Santa Barbara County.

Comprehensive Immigration Reform would provide hard working and tax paying residents and neighbors a pathway towards citizenship.

- CAUSE estimates for 2011 there are 42,609 undocumented workers in Ventura County and 23,755 undocumented workers in Santa Barbara County.

Many farm workers who are the backbone of our agriculture economy would benefit from comprehensive immigration reform.

- CAUSE estimates for 2011 that there were 14,000 undocumented farmworkers in Ventura County and just over 10,000 in Santa Barbara County.

Appendix

County	2008 ACS Population	2011 ACS Foreign born Population	2008 ACS Population Not a citizen	PPIC 2008 Undocumented Estimate	Percent Undocumented	% non citizens undocumented	2008 ACS Population Under 18 not a citizen	2008 ACS Workers 16 and over not Citizens	CAUSE 2008 Estimate of Undocumented Workers*
Ventura County	798,000		104,311	74,000	9.3%	70.9%	11,402	60,349	42,813
Santa Barbara County	405,000		63,622	37,000	9.0%	58.2%	6,484	40,004	23,265

County	2011 ACS Population	2011 ACS Foreign born Population	2011 ACS Population Not a Citizen	2011 CAUSE undocumented estimate**	2011 ACS Population Under 18 not a Citizen	2011 ACS Workers 16 and over not citizens	CAUSE 2011 estimate of Undocumented workers***	California EDD 2011 total farm jobs not Seasonally adjusted	CAUSE 2011 Estimate of Undocumented farmworkers****
Ventura County	831,771	182,987	100,552	71,333	9,239	60,062	42,609	25,000	14,000
Santa Barbara County	426,878	103,038	67,569	39,295	5,519	40,847	23,755	18,500	10,360

*CAUSE assumed that the same percentage of Non-citizens in 2008 that are undocumented was the same as for Non-citizen workers in 2008.

**CAUSE assumed that the same percentage that PPIC estimated undocumented in 2008 was the same in 2011.

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****CAUSE used the figure that 56% of farmworkers are undocumented from the report The California Farm Labor Force: Overview and Trends from the National Agricultural Workers Survey to estimate this number